(d) if so, whether Government has taken up the matter with Chinese Government; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE): (a) to (e) On 11 November 2008, the spokesperson of the Chinese Ministry of Foreign Affairs said, 'The China-India boundary has never been officially demarcated. China's position on the Eastern section of the China-India boundary is consistent and clear. No Chinese Government in the history has ever admitted McMahon Line. India knows this. When it comes to the boundary issue with India, China is ready to work with India and sit for a fair, just settlement acceptable to both the parties through peaceful and friendly negotiations on the basis of mutual understanding.'

Government's position that Arunachal Pradesh is an integral part of India has been reiterated to the Chinese side on many occasions. External Affairs Minister said on 9 November 2008, 'The Chinese side is fully aware that Arunachal Pradesh is an integral part of India.'

Government is committed to resolving outstanding differences on the boundary question, through peaceful means and in a fair, reasonable and mutually acceptable manner on the basis of the 'Agreement on the Political Parameters and Guiding Principles for the Settlement of the India-China Boundary Question' signed on April 11, 2005.

Terror attack in Mumbai

†*255. SHRI PRABHAT JHA: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that clinching evidences of neighbouring countries, particularly Pakistan's hand in the recent gruesome terror attack on Mumbai, have been found;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the diplomatic steps being taken by Government so that Pakistan could be exposed at the International forum?

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. The ongoing investigations have confirmed the involvement of elements in Pakistan.

(c) The High Commissioner of Pakistan was called to the Ministry of External Affairs on 1st December 2008 and was informed that the recent terrorist attack on Mumbai was carried out by elements from Pakistan. Government expects that strong action would be taken against those elements, whosoever they may be, responsible for this outrage. It was also conveyed to the Pakistan High Commissioner that Pakistan's actions needed to match the sentiments expressed by its leadership that it wishes to have a qualitatively new relationship with India. Government has received strong international support from numerous countries in the present situation. As a

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

result of bilateral and multilateral initiatives certain organizations and individuals in Pakistan have also been included in the Consolidated List of individuals and entities subject to sanction measures under UN Security Council Resolutions 1267 and 1822 on Taliban/Al Qaeda.

Group Housing Societies in Delhi

*256. SHRI GIREESH KUMAR SANGHI:
SHRI JESUDASU SEELAM:

Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Registrar, Co-op Group Housing Society has received a number of complaints of misuse of funds by the Group Housing Societies in Delhi;

(b) if so, whether one of the Group Housing Societies is Kashmiri Apartments, Pitampura, where there is a mismanagement of funds and accounts from 2001 and till now have not been passed by the General Body;

(c) whether in spite of several reminders, the Registrar did not take any action and the management is continuing defrauding the accounts; and

(d) if so, the action that has been taken by the Registrar so far against this society and also other societies which have been sent to Registrar?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI AJAY MAKEN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) The Registrar/Cooperative Societies (RCS), functioning under the Government of National Capital Territory of Delhi (GNCTD), has informed that a complaint has been received against the Kashmiri Shayak Samiti Cooperative Group Housing Society Ltd., Pitampura. That Complaint was forwarded by the RCS to the President/Secretary of the Society for comments which are yet to be received. The new Management Committee of the Society has been elected on 14.12.2008. If not satisfied with the reply of the Management Committee, the RCS may order inspection under Section 61 of the Delhi Cooperative Societies Act, 2003.

(d) Under the provisions of Delhi Cooperative Societies Act, 2003 and Rules, action for inspection and inquiry is initiated by the RCS against societies on receipt of comments from the Management Committee(s), if there are reasons to believe that the Management is not functioning in accordance with the provisions of the Act.

Maritime merchandise trade

*257. SHRI NARESH GUJRAL: Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) country's share in world fleet amongst maritime nations; and

(b) the steps Government has taken to increase the percentage share of global merchandise trade through the maritime route?

THE MINISTER OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI T.R. BAALU): (a) As on 30.11.2008 India's Merchant Fleet is 9.28 Million GT with the share of 1.16% of the World fleet.